

**SWVHJA Board Meeting  
July 13, 2017**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Emily Guyer at 7:35 PM on Monday, July 13, 2017 at the home of Molly Moore.

**Present:** Present at the meeting were Emily Guyer, Tara Deckel, Luanne Leonard, Heather Weaver, Kristen Nelson, Darlene Kemper, Sarah Irvine, , Anne Johnston and Molly Moore.

**Meeting Minutes:** The minutes were read and corrected to read in part, “With regard to a horse show facility the board intends to follow up with show standards.” Darlene moved to approve the minutes as corrected and Heather seconded. The motion passed and the minutes were approved as corrected.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Checking: \$16,439.19

Savings: \$11,192.98

The treasurer’s report was read by Darlene. Luanne moved to accept the treasurer’s report and Tara seconded. The motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Clinic:

The SWVHJA/VHC clinic will be held at the Virginia Horse Center on July 18 & 19. Clinic chairman Luanne explained how the clinic would run. On Tuesday, July 18, Jack Towell will begin the clinic “instructing while you ride” sessions at 9:00AM. At 5:00PM, Dr. Beshar will give a presentation on maintaining show ring soundness. The presentation will be followed by a pizza party sponsored by Memory’s Hill Stables. After that, a presentation about the USHJA will be given by Cricket Stone followed by an ice cream party. On Wednesday, July 19, riders will practice in a horse show format where Mr. Towell will instruct and Glenn Moody will judge and critique each rider.

The board discussed future clinics. Emily read a letter from a member suggesting that SWVHJA sponsor a clinic for lower level riders. Darlene volunteered to host that event at her farm for 2018. A date will be decided in the future.

Annual Show Timetable:

A letter was read from the finals show manager Leslie Brown with regard to schedule changes. Moving the Flat Equitation Championship classes, the hunter derby start time, the jumper divisions, the pleasure divisions and classes were all discussed. We agreed to accept Leslie’s proposed changes for the horse show. Tara suggested starting a ring early with the Pleasure Divisions before other divisions started. Anne suggesting making some jumper classes classics that would pay money.

Jumper Divisions:

Darlene handed out jumper information for the board to consider in creating recognized jumper divisions at lower jump heights. She suggested that we try to create divisions that would coincide with the VHSA jumper divisions. Darlene suggested that we review the information and after a brief discussion it was decided that we would table this matter until a later meeting. Tara suggested that we make our finals show timetable coincide with the lower jumper levels and heights offered by VHSA.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Division Spec Changes: Molly brought up the fact that our Pleasure Division classes were too specific and needed to be flexible so that Pleasure Division points could count at more SWVHJA/VHSA rated shows. Darlene moved that the wording be changed in the Pleasure Division specs to read “classes offered may

include, but are not limited to..." Sarah seconded the motion. The motion carried with one abstention, Kristen.

**Adjournment:**

The next meeting will be held Monday, August 14 at 7:00PM at Molly's house. Heather moved to adjourn the meeting and Darlene seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Molly Moore